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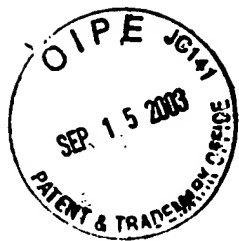
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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 8, 2003. The Abstract has been objected to for excessive length. Claims 1-3 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,401,407 of Breckenridge in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,975,016 of Pellenc et al. Claims 4-6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,401,407 of Breckenridge in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,975,016 of Pellenc et al., and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,026,104 of Pickrell. Claims 7-17 have been allowed. Applicant has now amended the Abstract to reduce its length, and he has amended the specification in other places to make clear that the terms "hydraulic actuators", "actuators", "hydraulic cylinders" and "cylinders", all of which were used in the specification as filed, are equivalent terms. Applicant has also amended claim 1 and (by dependency therefrom) claims 2-6 in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim his invention and to distinguish it from the cited references.

Applicant offers the following remarks to address the rejections of his claims and respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of such amendments and remarks. Since no claims are being added to the application beyond the number previously paid for, the filing of this Amendment/Response does not require the payment of a fee for additional claims.